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The attached Preliminary Amendment is filed with respect to the CPA filed on November 19, 1998.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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Total Claims	69	- 69	*	x \$ 11.00	= \$
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This is in further response with respect to the CPA application filed on November 19, 1998.

In the Claims:

Amend claims 15, 17, 21, 23, 48-52, 54, 90, 94, 96, 98 and 99 as follows:

15. (amended) The method of claim 1, [which further includes the step of using tropoelastin material for replacement of repair of] wherein the tissue substrate is selected from a group consisting of bladders, intestines, tubes, esophagus, ureters, arteries, veins, stomachs, lungs, hearts, colons, skin, [or as a cosmetic implantation].

17. (amended) The method of claim [1] 16, wherein [a] the stromal support matrix [comprise] comprises fibroblasts.